

In Re Application:

Thomas R. Goodwin

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09/755,317

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Art Unit: 2143

For:

NETWORK METHOD SYSTEM AND APPARATUS FOR RECORDING AND

MAINTAINING RECORDS

#### **DECLARATION PURSUANT TO RULE 1.131**

NOW COMES the undersigned, Thomas R. Goodwin, and makes the following Declaration:

- 1. I am the inventor in the above application, Serial #09/755,371, and that, at all relevant times herein, I was a citizen and resident of North Carolina, and that all acts described in this Declaration took place in the United States.
- 2. Prior to June 29, 2000, I conceived of my invention and reduced it to practice, including a commercial version.
- 3. On February 2, 2000, I registered the domain name "www.planelog.com". Attached as Exhibit A is a printout showing the domain name "planelog.com" was registered on February 2, 2000. When I requested this domain name it was to be the site for my world wide network version of my invention. My network system comprising the commercial version of my invention operates at the "planelog.com" Web site and has done so since prior to June 29, 2000.
- 4. Prior to June 29, 2000, I purchased hardware, including a network server, so as to have the necessary equipment to begin offering "planelog.com" services. I developed the necessary software to offer the network service described and claimed in my application. Also, before June 29, 2000, after doing some online research myself regarding the patentability of my

invention, I consulted a patent lawyer and began to take the necessary steps to prepare and file a patent application. This included patent searches to determine if the invention would be patentable subject matter and if it had sufficient novelty to qualify under the substantive requirements for a patent. Prior to June 29, 2000, my invention was reduced to practice and operating on a trial basis. On May 15, 2000, I reserved space at the annual Experimental Aircraft Association Convention. This is a large trade show and I intended to offer for sale the services provided by the commercial version of my invention found at the domain name "planelog.com" at this Convention. Attached as Exhibit B is a photocopy of the Contract dated May 15, 2000. Under the Products Service and Listing, the product that I would be presenting at a booth at this trade show was described as: "Service providing Internet based electronic backup of pilot logs and aircraft logs." I also requested that this matter be held in confidence as long as possible, since no patent application was yet filed.

- 5. Prior to June 29, 2000, I had prepared materials for the EAA Convention, including flyers, notebooks, and advertising materials, which described and advertised the services provided under my invention. I had reduced the invention to a practical business form before June 29, 2000 and was preparing to present to the industry at the EAA Convention and to accept orders for the network based log keeping services of my invention. Representative copies of materials prepared for the EAA Convention are attached as Exhibit C.
- 6. Also, prior to June 29, 2000, I engaged a patent lawyer to draft a patent application. Because the business was up and running and I was making changes in the operation of the program, revisions to the patent application were required. However, the patent lawyer and I worked on a regular ongoing basis to prepare a final patent application until its filing date of January 5, 2001.

The Declarant being warned that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine, imprisonment or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code declares that all statements above are true except those statements that are made on information and belief, and, as to those statements, he believes them to be true.

This the K day of Feb, 2005.

Thomas R. Goodwin



planelog.com

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Exhibit A

Whols Server Version 1.3

Domain names in the .com and .net domains can now be registered with many different competing registrars. Go to http://www.internic.net for detailed information.

Domain Name: PLANELOG.COM Registrar: DOMAIN BANK, INC. Whois Server: rs.domainbank.net

Referral URL: http://www.domainbank.net Name Server: DNS2.RDUONLINE.COM Name Server: DNS1.RDUONLINE.COM Name Server: DNS3.RDUONLINE.COM

Status: REGISTRAR-LOCK Updated Date: 05-nov-2004 Creation Date: 02-feb-2000 Expiration Date: 02-feb-2005

>>> Last update of whois database: Thu, 27 Jan 2005 07:43:36 EST <<<

NOTICE: The expiration date displayed in this record is the date the registrar's sponsorship of the domain name registration in the registry is currently set to expire. This date does not necessarily reflect the expiration date of the domain name registrant's agreement with the sponsoring registrar. Users may consult the sponsoring registrar's Whols database to view the registrar's reported date of expiration for this registration.

TERMS OF USE: You are not authorized to access or query our Whols database through the use of electronic processes that are high-volume and automated except as reasonably necessary to register domain names or modify existing registrations; the Data in VeriSign Global Registry Services' ("VeriSign") Whols database is provided by VeriSign for information purposes only, and to assist persons in obtaining information about or related to a domain name registration record. VeriSign does not guarantee its accuracy. By submitting a Whois query, you agree to abide by the following terms of use: You agree that you may use this Data only for lawful purposes and that under no circumstances will you use this Data to: (1) allow, enable, or otherwise support the transmission of mass unsolicited, commercial advertising or solicitations via e-mail, telephone, or facsimile; or (2) enable high volume, automated, electronic processes that apply to VeriSign (or its computer systems). The compilation, repackaging, dissemination or other use of this Data is expressly prohibited without the prior written consent of VeriSign. You agree not to use electronic processes that are automated and high-volume to access or query the Whois database except as reasonably necessary to register domain names or modify existing registrations. VeriSign reserves the right to restrict your access to the Whois database in its sole discretion to ensure operational stability. VeriSign may restrict or terminate your access to the Whois database for fallure to abide by these terms of use. VeriSlan reserves the right to modify these terms at any time.

The Registry database contains ONLY .COM, .NET, .EDU domains and Registrars.

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June 16, 2000

Invoice #: 109234

ANNE GOODWIN PlaneLog.com AVIATION LO 1601 S. COLLEGE RD. WILMINGTON, NC 28403

(910) 791-1855

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Order date: 06/16/00

Description **Price** MAGNETIC #1 (3 1/4" X 2") 390.00 M#1

> Total \$390.00

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Date 6/22/2000

TO: JDI INC

Description: BINDER PAGES 1/0

Fax

Paper Type

CUT

Flat Size

8.5X11

Paper Desc

**CLASSIC COTTON** 

Finished Size 8.5X11

Paper Weight 28

Film

**OURS** 

Paper Color

**SOLAR WHITE** 

Fold/Bindery

DRILL

Ink Color

1PMS

QUANTITY	2500	5000	7500
PMS INK CHARGE	32.50	32.50	32.50
PREPRESS SETUP	15.00	15.00	15.00
PAPER & PRODUCTION	328.22	567.83	807.44
PRICE/1000	150.29	123.07	113.99
TOTAL PRICE	\$375.72	\$815.33	\$854.94

THIS QUOTATION, AS DESCRIBED, IS VALID FOR 30 DAYS FROM THE ABOVE DATE. WE THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO BE OF SERVICE AND LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR ORDER.

Sincerely,

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- > Secure access password protected
- > Readable
- ➤ Searchable/Sortable
- > Retrievable World-wide
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- ➤ No lost logbooks

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- ➤ Perserve Aircraft Value
- ➤ Enhance Aircraft Safety
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- ➤ Maintain Currency



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